After Staying Him With Flagons. They Comforted Him Fith Poker Chips.

ON THE MORROW, SURPRISE

By DAVID A. CURTIS. HEM that kin play, an' won't play," said old man Greenlaw, "had ought fo' to be made

play." And he said it with an air of finality that indicated, at least, that he had excitement, "Pears like they'd ought some particular individual in mind who fo' to be some fun into it, anyway." be compelled by some means to visit his little saloon in Arkansas City and take a hand in the poker game that was sometimes played there

So far as could be judged from anpearances there was no disposition on the part of those who listened to him to dissent from the proposition he had made, but it was equally apparent that they were doubtful of the possibility of

enforcing it. "I wouldn't go so far's to say that wa'n't so, speakin' by an' large," said Jake Winterbottom, rather dubiously but I is done led a hoss to water afo now, when I reckoned he'd ought to have a drink, an' I ain't never found no way o' makin' him take it 'thouten he was thirsty. 'Pears like they is some

things what can't be did." "Th' ain't nothin' 't can't be did." declared the old man very positively. 'p'vidin' the man 's does it goes about it right. Mo' 'n that, this yer yap 'pears to have c'nsid'able of a wad. Stands to reason it's got to be did."

"I reckon yo' all 'll have to be the one to do it, then," said Jim Blaisdell, as one who is interested in a matter but who disclaims personal responsibillty. "If they is any way o' makin' man play poker when he won't, I dunno what 'tis.'

"Mebbe not," said the old man, "but just because he says he won't ain't no proof but what he will. Them that's the most positive is mistaken some fre-Sometimes they'll do things when they'm drunk what they wouldn' mever think o' doin' sober.
"Come to think of it," he added

thoughtfully, "'pears like they wouldn't no use o' gittin' drunk if a man was to do the same things what he would if he was sober." But his hearers were not impressed.

even by this piece of philosophy. "This yer yap don't drink," said Sam Pearsall, with the air of one who considers that he has disposed of a con-

But the old man was still unconvinced. gether. They is ways o' makin' a man sett said. "Let's liquor." drink, even if they ain't no way o'

"If he's a reel gent, 'tain't likely he'd stand out if somebody was treatin' the crowd, an' even if he hadn't the common p'liteness to fine in when he was mebbe he'd ruther do it 'n to fight. O co'se, it stands to reason th' ain't no- directly. body liable to be made to play poker ruther 'n to fight, bein's th' ain't no rules of etiquette what covers a p'int like that.

"But etiquette c'n be 'nfo'ced agin a man what won't drink when a gent does him the nor fo' to ast him. Mebbe that mough a gest somepin to yo' all." he concluded, looking hard at Joe Bassett, sternly, who had taken no part in the discussion up to this point, but who had begun to show some interest in it as soon as the "They can't mobody pass no insult onto old man had said something about the me 'thouten he's p'pared to fight."

io join in the attempt, when Blaisdell in' all the money they is into one place.

aid, "Mebbe so, Jake, but they ain't no

I motion we goes some'res else."

experiences of his own, "but it's got to be did cautious if it's gwine to be did be did cautious if it's gwine to be did be did for not, but when he did bet he had singularly good luck, so that he won a substantial amount and became incoherently hilarious. Then he began to get sleepy.

The way things turned out that time.
I was to go back yet a while. Later on I mought try it again, but just now I wouldn't have no mo' show 'n a hound pup o' the wilderness would, if he was aurned leose on the levee in New turned leose on the levee leose of the turned leose

ates c'n be did up good." he contin- down the river.

ued, "fo' I done done it my own self, re-peated, but 'tain't no game fo' a tenderfoot. First off, they is a hellyon among 'em, name o' Blaisdell, what c'n put mo' poke in poker 'n the law allows, what's liable to win yo' back teeth if yo' bets on the cyards he deals, an' then they is a overgrown brute they call Bassett what c'n lick any fo' men in the State !! he gets a chanst at 'em. On'y way to git the best o' him is to take him s'prise some way, an' that can't be did

easy.
"But that ain't all. The hull on 'em is huskies; but the old man hisself is the Where Life Indignant fleets upon the wind wust o' the lot. He don't never set in at the game his own self, but he al'ays stands by with a bung starter, an' when he gits that goin' he sho' is a hely ter-

"Listens good to me." said Mr. Jones calmly. "I reckon I'll take a chanst." He was an unemotional man, so far as his manner could be taken as indicative of his character, but he seemed to crave "Sho is," said One Eye,

"Only question is whether it 'd be yo' all or them what 'd have it." "Mebbe so," said Mr. Jones, "but mo 'n likely I'll git some on it. I kyind o' 'njoy takin' the short end of a bet occa.

sional." 'You'll git it," said One Eye, dryly "But if I was to try it and they didn' know nothin' about who I was I reckon I'd p'tend what I wa'n't spo't an' didn't know nothin' about the the game. Yo' all mought fool 'em some fo' a start, thataway."

Mr. Jones considered this idea a good one as he thought it over and shaped his course in accordance with it; when he appeared in Arkansas City, he carefully refrained from any mention of his purpose in going there. When it was suggested to him, as was to be peoted in the natural course of events that it would be, that there was a game on in the neighborhood he showed indifference, and shamelessly declared that he never played poker.

Moreover he declined several invitations to drink, knowing that he would thereby call further attention to himself as a curiosity. And he persisted in this line of conduct for some days, thereby making it clear to old man Greenlaw and his cronies that it would be necessary to resort to extreme measures. There had been no other stranger in Arkansas City for some little time and in consequence the main industry

of the place was languishing. When Bassett and his followers en tered the barroom of the tavern they found the landlord standing behind the bar regarding the other inmates of the room with a hopeless expression. There were four or five of them, all smoking diligently, but of them all Mr. Jones was the only one who might reasonably be supposed to have money, and he seemed indisposed to put it to any immediate use. There was in consequence an air of gloom pervading the room.

With the entrance of the newcomers this gloom vanished and the landlord "Mebbe he don't as a gen'l rule," he got busy in anticipation. Hardly had said, "but men ain't like hosses alto- he got a bottle on the bar when Bas-

The response was immediate and hearty. With one exception all those in the room gathered in front of the bar, but Mr. Jones continued to busy himself with his pipe in apparent ignorance of the prevailing custom. Noting this Bassett addressed him

"I said. 'Let's liquor.' " he remarked. "I heer'd yo'," said Mr. Jones. "Jine us," said Bassett somewhat peremptorily.

"Much obleeged, but I don't drink." said Mr. Jones courteously enough but indifferently withal.

"Yo' will this time," said Bassett "I reckon not." said Mr. Jones

roused himself, though he raised a ques- yo' fo' oncet. I don't gen'ly fight no-

"I ain't a-savin' but what them he had risen early and taken a boat | Charity beginneth at home

POEMS WORTH READING.

"Where Life Indignant Fleets Upon the Wind." "Vita cum gemitu fugit indignata sub um-bris."—Virgil. It is no cloud that darkens down the day.

year; Look, where a hundred miles of battle sway, flight of souls that paltered not with But on the blade of danger, fronting sheer Their all of mortal flung, that, left behind, Makes of the earth a universal bier,

These answered a strict call, obeyed the will Of those great lords, the arbiters of war, Unangered, they went forth, to seek, to kill Unaugered others, driven from star Above them ranged, malignant, Empire's

For this their loves, their hearth fires they Now free, now undeceived those legion Where Life Indignant fleets upon the wind!

Oh, to have speech with them, those injured things! Oh, to have speech with those high scornful

are no more the passent pawns of ewings mundane Justice (are miscalled The Bilindi), Nor if the world for them the requiem

Where Life indignant fleets upon the wind! To no Valhalla of the savage eld Do they retire, the battle to revive: Late foes, in a new league they now are

To rouse their kith and kinsmen left alive:
"Henceforth to herded slaughter let none drive

Your ranks, O long enduring humankind.
Where goaded men as wild beaets close and strive. Whence Life Indignant fleets upon the wind!"

'Tis no cloud that darkens down the day. rk! 'Tis no dirge the autumn gales unbind, Hark! But the great spirit host that mounts away. Where Life Indignant fleets upon the EDITH M. TROMAS.

Gone are the glamour and the gold.

The radiant rapture days are gone:
The loveliness that lit the dawn. The sunset splendore, fold on fold.

Its meaning behind wood and moor; How shall we patiently endure

The winter's tyranny of tears?
CLINTON SCOLLARD In the Subway.

had a dream which yet was more that

dream!
hought I was an atom in a stream
living, struggling forms, packed dense
and borne Through earth's abyes by one. Apoliyon

We stopped at a way station: from above rowded down to join the human To force these in who had not strength enough
To push into the crowd. "Room there, more He cried, "for all these myriads that would

He prodded them with pitchfork; neck of Back, face, it made no difference to him And elid the gates to, slicing off a bit

own; It made no difference, all had callous grown

amothering corner came despatring moan.

Through murky gloom we sped, where every

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

An argument has arisen among us as to what depth a diver can work in the ocean and also as to what depth pearl and eponge fishers descend without diving suits.

M. A. SOUTHWORTH.

The greatest depth recorded of work done by a diver in a suit is 182 feet; this the suit is being led, and shows no more depth was reached by the Spanish diver with a wish to ruff. Some use it to show Angel Brostarbe, who recovered \$45,000 in sliver ingots from the wreck of the steam- that is very confusing. The reverse is ship Skyro off Cape Finisterre. The sponge divers of the Mediterranean work suit that is discarded is not the suit led. at a maximum of 150 feet and the Australian pearlers at 120 feet. The greatest depths reached by divers without apparatus are used by the pearl fishers of protect it. Torres, mostly Malayans from the smaller islands. They go down with the aid of a stone and a loop in the rope thereto attached which they clutch with their toes. takes organs being far more prehensile six hearts to the ten; four spades to the constitutional and invalid as imposing a than in races normally shod. They seldom venture to descend below fifty feet, a depth at which they can remain for two minutes. The stone enables them to remain at the bottom while they are sweep-main at main at the bottom while they are sweeping the pearl oysters into a basket at tached to the stone. When the diver feels that he must come up to breathe he releases his toes from the becket in the rope and at once floats to the surface. Young and healthy Malayan divers working oyster beds below six fathoms make four descents an hour during four hours in the morning and the same during four hours in the afternoon following a four hour rest. A civilized man at a depth of able after a single minute.

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"Sweet, thou hast trod on a heart. is by Elizabeth Barrett Browning and entitled "A False Step." It may be found in the complete edition of the author's works published by Thomas Y. Crowell & to encourage bad play. Co. among the poems under a sub-title "Last Poems."

Sweet, thou hast tred on a heart Pass; there's a world full of m And women as fair as thou art Must do such things now and then

Thou only has stepped unaware-Malice not one can impute: And why should a heart have been In the way of a fine woman's foot?

It was not a stone that could trip, Nor was it a thorn that could rend: Put up thy proud underlip! "Twas merely the heart of a friend.

And yet, peradventure, one day Thou, sitting alone at the glass Remarking the bloom gone away Where the emile in its dimplement

From hundreds who flattered before Such a word as "Oh, not in the main Do I hold thee less precious, but more! Thoul't eigh, very like, on thy part,
"Of all I have known or can know,
I wish I had only that heart

And seeking around thee in vain

I trod upon ages ago

Aquarium before it became Castle Gar-den? S. F. RAURON. It was Fort Clinton and was designed stronghold of the inner defence of New fortresses was drawn by Col. Jonathan declaration. Williams, whose name is preserved on Governors Island and in Williamsburg. As a Major of regulars he was the or-ganizer and first superintendent of the pattern of the cards is the same on all Military Academy in 1802. He reagned backs used in the club. from the army in 1803, but in 1805 asthe British were exercising right of he ordered unless the torn card is research on American vessels off Sandy placed. This is in order to match up the mirent. To mirent. The provides that "woman shall retain the same legal existence and legal personality a \$1 bill and your penmanship has im after marriage as before marriage, and proved wonderfully." minent. To was built on a ledge of rocks ing some of one color left over. When he was thus appealed to he that's the way yo' all takes it. I'll fine Touch taste, smell, hearing, sight, endured 300 yards from the shore of the island.

SCHOOL FOR CARD PLAYERS. NOVEL POINTS OF THE LAW.

Auction Bridge. F. L. D. says: We see frequent references to the reverse echo or discard, which is used both as a down and out and as an encouragement. How is one to know which it is? The down and out is used only when the ability to win the third round; but used only in no trumpers or when the It is then sometimes useful to show the partner what suit he may abandon, as the player who makes the reverse will M. R. H. says: Dealer bids two spades, which is a local convention asking the partner to declare his best suit. Second hand bids one royal. Third hand holds

game. If it is a request for the partner to show his best suit, that is hearts, and he should have bid two hearts. To double the royals without anything but one trick

to lead sneaks, either in whist or bridge, and if so, where the rule can be found that forbids it. In all the whist family of games, of which bridge is one, the player may lead forty-two feet finds such a dive intoler- anything he pleases and if he thinks a sneak or a sub-sneak will do the business better than a long suit, that is his privi The poem asked for by R. E. L. and be- lege. There is not and never was any rule against it, and as "Pembridge" pointed out forty years ago, if it is such a bad play, why is it that the objection always comes from the adversaries and not the partner? The opponents ought

> says: Dealer bids a spade second hand no trump, third hand two clubs. Third hand holds nothing but four clubs to the ten and four spades to the queen. Should he go two no trumps or show his spade suit?

> Why do either? If the partner really has a no trumper the clubs will never go game. If he has the clubs stopped he may go on if he likes or he may double. Leave that to him, as he alone knows what he went no trumps on.

> C. S. K. asks which is the correct term, duplicate or compass auction?

Compass is a form of duplicate in which the north and south players sit still and the east and west pairs move. In some forms of duplicate, notably Howell pairs and "up the sides and down the middle," all the players move, no matter at what point of the compass they

E. P. M. asks if they still count honors

This objection would be true but for the fact that the trump is not always the with its sister fortification of Castle Will- same by any means, and the honors in fams on Governors Island to form the one suit may be very different in value from the honors in another; therefore York. The trace of these two round the honors must go with the winning F. G. asks if a card is tern whether

from the army in 1803, but in 1805 accepted a new commission from President the consent of all the players. Other-Jefferson and became chief of engineers wise new cards must be furnished. In with the rank of Lieutenani-Colonel, Fort clubs it is against the rules to call Clinton was built in 1807 at a time when for one pack, and two fresh packs must Hook and it appeared that war was imminent. To was built on a ledge of rocks ing some of one color left over.

NEW TAXICAB STAND SIGNS

From the first flow they are all the way to all clase it. I'll get from the same of the color flow of the same of the color fl

A decision that stocks and bonds are the subjects of interstate commerce and that sales of the same between States are interstate commerce is made by the United States District Court of lowa, Central Division, in declaring unconstitutional a "blue sky law" which prohibits a citizen of a sister State owning and havin stocks, bonds, certificates or securities, a though the same are listed changes of the country and have a well established actual and salable value, from either bringing or sending them into the State for sale or negotiating for their sale to any person in the State unless he complies with the requirements of the act by obtaining from the Secretary of State and paying for a certificate as an investment company or a stock broker and subject-ing himself to its penaities. It was held, on an application for a preliminary in-junction to restrain its enforcement, that said act was not within the police powers of the State as an inspection law, but unof the State as an inspection law, but un-constitutional and invalid as imposing a direct burden on interstate commerce, and

The first case to consider the reason ableness of a rule prohibiting the turning of seats seems to be Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company vs. Spiller, 50 L. R. A. (N. S.) 394, which holds that a rule of a Z. A. C. asks if K is against the rules to turn seats so as to ride backward is reasonable, and that a passenger may be ejected for refusing to obey a rule for-bidding the turning of seats so as to face to the Philippines as Governor has the rear of the car.

That the proprietor of a restaurant wh

of a special, which is bound to keep flashed to Harrison on shipboard, in-out of the way of the regular, but fails to take the proper sidetrack to clear the way for it, since the trainmen are bound to keep in mind the schedule of regular trains, and their failure to do so will cause a resulting collision to be regarded as due to recklessness.

Company in the Supreme Court of North Carolina it was held that where plaintiff, who looked and listened before crossing ratiroad company's tracks, was struck by a motor car operated without lights, notwithstanding it was night, the railshouting of the servants in charge had he proached.

The Green Bag tells of a police magis-The Green Bag tells of a police hands trate in a Western city who is a native of trate in a Western city who is a native of What made it all the more noticeable into court for drunkenness, told his Honor that he had played in a brass band school who wrote phenomenally good in Binchamton. The Judge discharged hands. They were the teacher's pride

now this headen was published in the next six months at least five other prisoners brought before the Judge explained that they had played in the aforesuid band. The Judge telegraphed to an old friend back in Hinghamton asking how many poor penmen and that it did not much back in Binghamton asking pieces were in the band. The announced himself in court as follows.

"Hereafter no prisoners will be dis-

in Fledeer vs. Fledeer that a civil action may be maintained by a wife against her husband for damages for assault because of injuries due to a gunshot wound maliciously inflicted. The Oklahoma statute provides that "woman shall retain the same leval evitance and leval evitance and leval evitance and leval evitance."

A lew days ago one of Burke's former teachers saw his signature on a new hill and it looked perfectly legible.

Delightedly the teacher wrote to Burke saying:

"I have just seen your handwriting on same leval evitance and leval evitance." tained to her reputation, person, property, character or any natural right, she shall

the plan in the stempt, when Real and expectation had an expectation because he would make a second the stempt and the plan in th

STATESMEN, REAL AND NEAR.

By FRED C. KELLY.

Speaker Clark's way of greeting a vistor in his private office is interesting. When he is engaged in thought the Speaker sides down in a big leather chair until he is sitting on the small of his back, and gazes abstractedly at a

newspaper spread acros his lap. A visitor enters. The Speaker looks up, draws his eyes down to a narrow slit and drawls, "Come in."

Now the way he says that "Come in" indicates just how welcome the visitor is. If he says it almost pleasantly, that indicates only a moderate feeling of hospitality and the visitor would better not tarry too long. But suppose, on the other hand, that the Speaker stretches out his "Come in" into an unusually one drawl, with a slight rising inflection on the "come" and a slow downward inflection to the "in" and that, in addition, is tone is one seemingly of great vexation. Suppose, further, that he also drawls a prolonged "Sit down-n!" as if to say, "What in thunder are you standing there for when there are chairs?"

In that case the visitor is welcome and can stay as long as he sees fit. For the Speaker reserves his gruffest tones for

When Francis Burton Harrison went wrought untold suffering in those slands before he even landed there. The Filipinos like to adhere strictly to In the proprietor of a restaurant who is not a student in a college, and has no children as such students, has no right of action against the college for forbidding pupils to patronize his restaurant is held would prefer to do without his breaking Gott vs. Berea College, 51 L. R. A. (N. fast rather than do without the red sash

When it was learned that the new Punitive damages are held recoverable Governor was on his way there was in Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Governor was on his way there was great talk about what should comprise the following freman by the collision with his train, which is a regular train on time.

Mr. Harrison wired back that the official garb would include a frock coat and silk hat.

Now the truth is that there were not to exceed four or five silk hats in the entire archipelago. Frock coats were almost equally rare for the reason that anything heavier than nun's veiling to more or less uncomfortable in the Philippines. What between the scarcity of frock coats and silk hats and the horror of wearing such things, even if they had road company is liable for its negligence in so operating the car, which also was not equipped with bell or whistle, though plaintiff would have heard the car and the proached.

wrote a notorlously poor hand when he was a boy attending country school Now this incident was published in the school one of Burke's brothers was cer-

The reply came matter anyhow, as few persons ever saw charged on account of former membership in the Binghamton band. The limit has been reached."

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The limit has been reached."

A few days ago one of Bucke's forme

Through the efforts of the taxicab di

acteristics of this machine.

"The evidence discloses knowledge upon the part of the officials of the defendant that danger was to be anticipated in connection with the alighting of the aero-nection with the alignment are nections.

borne in mind that commendable derives from the roat of command, therefore can hear the sense of being had on command. The nests' tookue to which Gratiano refers is dried and not fried in Shake-spears's text.

H. M. S. says: All pick up their hands. A finds he has only four cards. No bet has only four cards. No bet has been made, so he insists he can get another card to complete his hand.

Not if he has lifted the four cards. His merely to materialize a spirit but to photograph it.